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TEN CENTS A WEEK

JAPANESE CONTINUE TO DEFEAT RUSSIANS

Russians Attempt Counter Attacks But Are Repulsed.

CZAR'S MEN BURNING BRIDGES

General Linevitch Makes a Report to St. Petersburg Authorities and Says All Is Quiet.—Russians Are Destroying Railroad.

Washington, March 21.—The Japanese legation today received the following telegram from Tokio:

"At 4 a. m. on March 19 our detachment occupied Kaiyuan, 20 miles north of Tie Pass. The enemy afterwards attempted to counter attack, but were repulsed. The enemy burned bridges on the main road south of Kaiyuan and also destroyed part of a railway bridge. A number of Russians were found buried near Mukden."

General Linevitch Reports.

St. Petersburg, March 21.—A dispatch from General Linevitch, dated March 19, 9 p. m., says:

"The commander of the second army reports that he has had no further fighting.

No reports have been received from the First and Third armies.

"I have inspected the troops which have arrived from Russia. They are in excellent spirits and good health."

PITTSBURG IN THROES OF FLOOD

Warm Weather Has Melted Snow and River is a Raging Torrent.

Pittsburg, March 21.—Pittsburg is in the throes of an annual flood.

Fortunately, however, the damage to property will be minimized, compared with former years as the vast river interests, railroads and other business affected by floods had ample warning and preparations were made accordingly. Up to the middle of last week heavy snows remained in the upper 250 miles of the Alleghany valley, and its tributaries, and the high temperature of the past week melted the snow and a warm rain yesterday caused flood conditions from the headquarters to this city. Already the lowlands are submerged, and mills and factories on the river fronts have been forced to suspend operations. The crest of the flood is looked for in Pittsburg by nightfall, and a stage of 30 feet is expected.

The Alleghany is rising like a mill race today, and although practically clear of ice, it is carrying a great deal of timber and debris. The ice of the greater part ran out during the early hours of the morning and as far as can be learned no damage resulted from it.

CRISIS IN VENEZUELA.

France Notifies Government to Stop Interference with Cable Company.

Washington, March 21.—The French cable company complications have reached a crisis and Minister Bowen has informed the state department that the French minister at Caracas, by instructions of his government, has notified the Venezuelan government that there must be no further proceedings on its part toward the cancellation of the company's franchise or interference with its property.

Further Mr. Bowen reports that two French warships have been ordered post haste to Venezuela to act in accordance with the instructions of the French minister. These are the Italian De Gravierre and the Duplex, now in the Caribbean sea.

Fired Shot Into Train.

Jackson, Miss., March 21.—While the eastbound limited train over the Queen and Crescent road was approaching Jackson, last night some unknown person fired two shots from a pistol through the rear door of the general coach, and made his escape in the darkness. One of the bullets clipped the ear of H. Clay Roberts, a well known insurance agent of this city while the other passed within 2 inches of the head of Hon. W. J. Croom, state senator from Hinds county. The train was stopped and male passengers sought the miscreant.

LARGE JEWISH GATHERING.

New Orleans Is Entertaining Grand Lodge of B'Nai B'Rith.

New Orleans, March 21.—An elaborate report by President Simon Wolf was the feature of the second day's session of the constitution grand lodge B'Nai B'Rith. It presented an interesting array of statistics and facts bearing upon the condition and history of the Jews in America. He said that during the past four years four million foreigners have come to this country, at least one-tenth being Jews and 80 per cent of whom remained in New York. The remarkable influx he said was due to oppression abroad.

Dr. Wolf said the convention ought to stimulate by word and deed the movement for proper distribution of this foreign Jewish immigration. Dr. Wolf said the order of B'Nai B'Rith had altogether contributed, exclusive of endowments, \$10,000,000 to various benefactions. It has a membership of 30,000 throughout the world, has educated more than 10,000 orphans and cared for more than 500 aged and infirm, and 5,000 sick and destitute sick and has maintained free circulating libraries of more than 50,000 volumes.

BIG OCEAN LINER REACHES PORT

Three Days and a Half Overdue—Voyage a Turbulent One.

New York, March 21.—More than three and a half days behind her best record time for the voyage, the big White Star line steamer Cedric came into this port today after the most turbulent voyage of her career. From the outset of the voyage the Cedric encountered heavy weather. The force of the gale was terrific and at times reached hurricane proportions with terrific seas.

At times the sea broke more than 20 feet higher than the Cedric's bridge and were estimated to be 60 feet from the hollow to the crest. Her officers say that although the huge ship rolled and pitched violently she behaved splendidly. In the most violent period of the storm on March 12, Mrs. Whitney, a steerage passenger, gave birth to a child. He was named Cedric Whitney.

Among the passengers on the Cedric was Jabez White, the British pugilist and his manager, Charles Mitchell.

RIOT AT WEDDING CELEBRATION

Italians in Chicago Cause a Riot—Policemen Disperse Crowd.

Chicago, March 21.—A wedding celebration in Clark and Polk streets in the heart of the "Little Italy" has been terminated suddenly by Police man Henry Decker, who shot one of the merry-makers, Vito Malpeda, in the abdomen, inflicting a fatal wound.

Half a dozen Italians, one of whom was Malpeda, attacked the policeman because he had ordered them to disperse. Malpeda's ran into a saloon and snatched a policeman's club from behind the bar and struck the officer on the head knocking him down. Decker shot Malpeda, who staggered to the middle of the street and fell. The police were notified and when a wagon load of men arrived, more than 1,000 persons, men, women and children were struggling in the street.

Officer Decker, covered with blood, stood at the side of the man he had shot and he and another of his assistants were placed under arrest.

New Trial Denied.

Washington, March 21.—The supreme court of the United States today denied the motion for writs of habeas corpus in the cases of Peter Miller and Thomas Shepperson, two of the Denver election officials who were sentenced to terms of imprisonment by the supreme court of Colorado on charges of violating the orders of the court in connection with the November election. No written opinion was handed down in the case.

Warner Elected Senator.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 21.—The legislature in joint session elected Mr. Warner, Republican, to succeed Mr. Cockrell, Democrat, as United States senator from Missouri. The last hall vote gave Warner 3 majority. The closing scenes of the session was full of excitement, the Democrats trying to avoid the election of a senator.

MANY KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION

Building Collapsed and Big Fire Followed Disaster.

FIFTY ARE REPORTED AS MISSING

Large Shoe Factory Is Wrecked by an Exploding Boiler—Fire Spread to the Adjoining Buildings, Resulting in Great Loss.

Brookton, Mass., March 21.—A boiler exploded in R. V. Grover's shoe factory here today and it is reported a large number of employes have been killed. The report was believed to be based on the fact that 75 employes were found to be unaccounted for after the explosion. It is expected that after the excitement has subsided, many of the missing ones would be accounted for.

Before 9 o'clock the entire Grover plant has been destroyed by fire which spread to adjoining business structures and private residences.

The boiler which exploded was located on the ground floor in the E11 part of the 4-story factory. When the explosion occurred that part of the factory directly above collapsed. How many of the employes in this section succeeded in escaping is not known. A moment after the explosion fire broke out in the wreckage.

A canvas completed at 9:30 o'clock of the Grover factory employes shows that 50 were missing. The fire was still burning fiercely and not under control, though it had not spread with in the previous 15 minutes.

Reports received at the Brookton hospital were to the effect that 11 are dead and a score more wounded.

At 10:30 o'clock it was said that the fire was under control.

At that hour search of the ruins was still impossible, owing to the heat. The number of missing is still estimated by the police at 50.

An accurate estimate of the loss of life was impossible. It was understood that upwards of 200 persons were at work in the departments near the boiler room, and the first indications were that hardly one could escape. Later, however, it was learned that but 50 were unaccounted for, and it was believed that many of this number might be dead or injured. The factory, a large 4-story wooden structure, was in ashes within an hour.

The flames extended to several of the dwelling houses near by, and to the Dahlburg block, across the street from the Grover factory. These also were consumed, and other property was damaged.

At 10:30 o'clock it was believed that the fire was under control, and the financial loss was estimated at \$200,000.

Twenty-five bodies had been taken from the ruins. Many of them were so terribly mutilated and burned as to make it difficult to identify them.

Up to 1:30 p. m. 30 had been recovered. In a few instances only fragments of the clothing furnished the means of determining whether the remains were those of a man or woman, or a possible clew to identity. The chief of police estimates the dead at 50.

Aged Negress Burned to Death.

Marietta, Ga., March 21.—Hannah James, a negro woman about 60 years old, was burned to death in her home near the city Sunday afternoon, about 1 o'clock. She was found in her room lying against the fireplace. Corporal Cox, of Cobb county, held an inquest Sunday afternoon and the jury brought in a verdict of death by accident. Aunt Hannah was a town character and was known by every one in Marietta. She will have to be buried at the county's expense.

Woman Mangled by Fire Engine.

New York, March 21.—An unidentified woman was killed, two children were slightly injured and many persons were frightened at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Sixteenth street Saturday night when a galloping fire ladder truck was forced by a vehicle to take the side walk, the three truck horses trampling on the woman and the vehicle passing over her body.

ASSAULTS EXPRESS MESSENGER

Robbery Was the Supposed Motive Several Money Packages Missing.

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 21.—Mal Pruett, Southern Express company messenger on Southern Train No. 33, leaving here for Memphis at 8:10 today, was assaulted in his car near Lookout station, a few miles out of this city, by Will Thomas, an express messenger, this morning.

He claims the assault was the result of a personal difficulty, but Pruett claims that robbery was the motive. Pruett was struck on the head with a heavy piece of timber, and is now in the hospital. He states that two packages of money and a package of vouchers were missing after he was assaulted.

After striking Pruett on the head Thomas applied the emergency brake and jumped from the train. He was captured and is in jail here.

The affair is a complicated one, and the Southern Express officials decline to give out any statement about it, further than to say the matter is being investigated.

PREACHER JOINS LABOR UNION.

Brooklyn Pastor Becomes a Fraternal Member of Central Labor Body.

New York, March 21.—Rev. Warren H. Wilson has been admitted into membership in the central labor union of Brooklyn. He joined as a fraternal delegate and at the request of the Brooklyn presbytery which has reached the conclusion that hitherto the church has not entered into fellowship with organized labor as it should have done. Only one vote was cast in opposition.

The new delegate is pastor of the Arlington avenue Presbyterian church. In an address following his election he said that the presbytery averred that the church had strayed from the divine teaching in not taking a deeper interest in the welfare of the laboring men. He thought that the church did not fully understand the objects of labor unions and believed that the time is at hand when it should be enlightened on those subjects.

BOY GUILTY OF KILLING FATHER

Boy Gets Life Sentence for the Murder of His Parent.

Tifton, Ga., March 21.—John Land was found guilty of the murder of his father, Robert Land, in Irwin superior court Saturday. Youn Land and his father had a dispute over a dog at their home near Sycamore some time last summer, in which Land shot his father, without warning, killing him instantly.

His case has been on trial at Irwinville since Thursday morning, and Saturday afternoon the jury returned a verdict, after being out 30 minutes, of murder. The jury recommended mercy, and his sentence was fixed at life imprisonment.

Whites Barred from Negro Church.

Wilmington, Del., March 21.—White people attending St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church for negroes were considerably perturbed when Father Glancy, the priest in charge, read a letter from Bishop Monaghan announcing that the church is exclusively for negro Catholics. The whites have been attending St. Joseph's at times because it was convenient, and they were good contributors to its funds. In order that there might be no misunderstanding about the matter, the letter was read twice.

Want to Tax Bachelors.

Madison, Wis., March 21.—The assembly is having considerable fun from time to time with the Cleary bill providing for a tax of \$5 a year on all unmarried men over 30 years of age. What with taking care of his large mail on the subject and being constantly on the alert to parry the thrusts and attacks of his colleagues, the Junction county member is pretty busy most of the time.

Vesuvius Shows Signs of Activity.

New York, March 21.—There have been frequent explosions of Vesuvius accompanied by eruptions of incandescent matter visible from Naples, says a dispatch from that city. "There were produced by the sinking of the bottom of the crater formed by the last eruption."

AWFUL CALAMITY IN WEST VIRGINIA MINE

Those Who Go To The Rescue Are Also Entombed.

TWENTY-FOUR LIVES ARE LOST

After the First Explosion a Party of Rescuers Go Into Mine Only To Be Killed by a Second Explosion—Work of Rescue Commenced.

Fire Creek, W. Va., March 21.—The rescuing party which was organized Sunday to enter the Rush Run mines to recover the bodies of the 24 men who are believed to have been killed by the two explosions Saturday and yesterday morning, finally were able to enter the mine today.

The amount of gas in the mine after the explosion and the necessity for driving fresh air into the inner workings before the rescuers dared to enter, compelled them to wait 24 hours after the last explosion.

Hundreds of people from the surrounding country, miners and their families crowded the mines, the men volunteering to help in any way possible and the women anxiously awaiting word from their loved ones. The first rescuing party which entered the mine early Sunday had gone 2,000 feet when overcome by the second explosion. The second rescue party reached this point in the mine today and preparations were at once begun for the removal of the dead bodies.

In the two explosions in the Red Ash and Rush Run mines late Sunday night, at least 24 men were killed, 10 of the dead being members of a rescue party, who were caught by the second explosion in the Rush Run mine.

Eight miners were at work in the Rush Run and five in the Red Ash mine, when the first explosion occurred Sunday night. Five or six hours later a party of 11 rescuers entered Rush Run mines to locate the dead. They probably had gone back 2,000 feet when the second explosion occurred, and it is positively known that all are dead, as there is no possible chance for their escape.

After the first explosion miners from neighboring mines rushed to the afflicted mine in an effort to save their comrades. On account of the gas it was considered unsafe to enter the mine today, but early Monday eight old and experienced miners, with safety lamps, entered and coaxed up some of the entries, so that fresh air can be forced into the mine.

The rescuers had gone about 2,000 feet into the mine when the second explosion occurred, or less than half the distance to where the miners had been working when the first explosion occurred.

There is no hope of recovery of any of the bodies for many hours. The Red Ash and Rush Run mines connect in four places, by coal being cut through, being under the same management.

North State Republicans Meet.

Charlotte, N. C., March 21.—The banquet to be given at Greensboro, N. C., next Wednesday will be one of the most elaborate affairs of the kind ever given in the state. The special guests of honor will be Vice President Chas. W. Fairbanks, Postmaster General Cortelyou, Commissioner of Internal Revenue Yerkes and Congressman Joseph M. Dixon and Colonel F. M. Parker. These gentlemen, accompanied by other prominent public men from Washington and special newspaper representatives, will arrive on a special car from Washington at 6 o'clock p. m. Wednesday.

Live Wire Causes Death.

Waco, Tex., March 21.—John G. Nelson, aged 25, one of the wisest known animal trainers in the country, was instantly killed yesterday while talking down a tower of an exhibition show, by a guy-wire crossing a light cable. The entire 4,000 voltage entered his body, causing instant death. He leaves a wife and child in Iowa. Nelson made a specialty of educating ponies and dogs.